

Appl. No. 10/814,408
Second Preliminary Amendment

REMARKS

Consideration of the claims presented in this amendment is requested. The claims presented for consideration are claims 24 and 30-32.

Applicants note that this amendment corrects various errors in the previous Preliminary Amendment in order to pursue the apparatus claims of Group X, as classified in the Office Action mailed October 7, 2003 in parent application no. 10/280,817. Claim 24 has been amended to focus on a preferred apparatus embodiment, and claims 30-32 have been amended to include a temperature sensor. Such a sensor is implicitly included in the claims as originally filed, and is also explicitly described at pages 31-32, paragraph 0116. Accordingly, no new matter has been entered.

Applicants request early and favorable consideration of the claims of this application. If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated, since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response. Please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1712 (Docket #: 2002B139/2).

Respectfully submitted,

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